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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop AMENDMENT, P.O. Box 1450,

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 1-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 8, 2004, said period of response being extended from December 8, 2004 to January 8, 2005.

Our check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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